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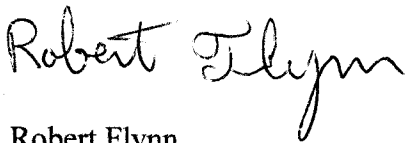
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To whom it may concern,

I have been a fishing guide on the Big Hole River for 20 years. I would state that the only irrigation diversion along the whole course of the Big Hole that constitutes a very real hazard to floaters is the diversion on the lower river, referred to as the Big Hole ditch. The primary reason for the hazard at this particular diversion site is the severity of the drop below the dam. When the river flows get to a certain level, it becomes a very real possibility that boats could hang up on the dam and swamp easily in the heavy flow. I know of several instances where this has happened. A possible solution to this hazard would be to construct some sort of a step-down system below the dam to lessen or eliminate the hazard. Our Association would be much in favor of a reconstruction of this diversion to solve the dilemma..

Sincerely,



Robert Flynn